BOARD APPROVES AMENDMENTS TO NEW SOURCE REVIEW REGULATION

Regulation XIII was originally adopted several years ago during the Antelope Valley's inclusion in the South Coast Air Quality Management District (SCAQMD). When the New Source Review regulation was adopted by the SCAQMD's governing board, their district encompassed portions of several different air basins, each with different non-attainment profiles. Thus, Regulation XIII was largely developed in response to the U.S. EPA's classification of the majority of the region as an extreme ozone non-attainment area.

When the AVAPCD was split off as a separate air district, the need arose for an amended New Source Review program which reflected the Antelope Valley's less stringent Severe-17 federal ozone classification. To address this urgent need, the AVAPCD's Governing Board amended Regulation XIII – *New Source Review* - during its March 20th Board meeting.

Currently, most new modified major stationary sources of air pollution are processed through the New Source Review analysis. The amendments to Regulation XIII streamline the NSR permitting process and allow lower emitting sources to be issued their permits directly under Regulation II- *Permits*. It is anticipated that this streamlined permit process will save permitted sources time and money.

For more information on the newly amended NSR Regulation, call the AVAPCD at (661) 723-8070.